



January 27, 2006

SENATE BILL No. 251

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Citations Affected: IC 6-2.5; IC 6-6; IC 6-8.1; IC 8-2.1; IC 9-20; IC 9-28.

Synopsis: Motor carrier enforcement. Provides that the prepayment rate used in determining prepayment amounts of sales tax on certain wholesale sales of gasoline may not exceed 125% of the prepayment rate in effect on the day before the prepayment rate is redetermined by the department of state revenue. Requires certain reports and returns filed with the department of state revenue (department) concerning gasoline tax and special fuel tax to be filed in an electronic format. Requires a motor carrier to file a claim for a proportional use credit for a calendar quarter on or before the due date of the motor carrier's quarterly motor fuel tax return. Allows the department to deny the issuance of or to suspend or revoke certain registrations, permits, or certificates of authority if the owner or operator of a commercial motor vehicle does not file all tax returns or reports or pay all taxes, penalties, and interest for a listed tax. Provides civil penalties for a motor carrier operating without required credentials or operating with altered credentials. Allows the department or the state police department to impound a motor vehicle engaged in the transportation of passengers for hire if the owner has not obtained the required authority. Increases the application fees paid to the department's motor carrier services division. Specifies that certain registration requirements do not apply to a person exclusively engaged in the private transportation of nonhazardous property. Provides that the department may not register or title a motor carrier if the motor carrier fails to comply with certain federal regulations or the motor carrier's authority to operate has been terminated or denied by a federal agency. Specifies certain penalties for motor carriers that violate the permitting provisions for oversize and overweight vehicles. Specifies due dates for payments under the International Registration Plan.

Effective: July 1, 2006.

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January 9, 2006, read first time and referred to Committee on Tax and Fiscal Policy.
January 26, 2006, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.

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Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2005 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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SENATE BILL No. 251

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 6-2.5-7-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006]: Sec. 1. **For purposes of (a)**
3 **The definitions in this section apply throughout** this chapter.
4 (b) "Kerosene" has the same meaning as the definition contained in
5 IC 16-44-2-2.
6 (c) "Gasoline" has the same meaning as the definition contained in
7 IC 6-6-1.1-103.
8 (d) "Special fuel" has the same meaning as the definition contained
9 in IC 6-6-2.5-22.
10 (e) "Unit" means the unit of measure, such as a gallon or a liter, by
11 which gasoline or special fuel is sold.
12 (f) "Metered pump" means a stationary pump which is capable of
13 metering the amount of gasoline or special fuel dispensed from it and
14 which is capable of simultaneously calculating and displaying the price
15 of the gasoline or special fuel dispensed.
16 (g) "Indiana gasoline tax" means the tax imposed under IC 6-6-1.1.
17 (h) "Indiana special fuel tax" means the tax imposed under

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1 IC 6-6-2.5.

2 (i) "Federal gasoline tax" means the excise tax imposed under
3 Section 4081 of the Internal Revenue Code.

4 (j) "Federal special fuel tax" means the excise tax imposed under
5 Section 4041 of the Internal Revenue Code.

6 (k) "Price per unit before the addition of state and federal taxes"
7 means an amount which equals the remainder of:

8 (i) (1) the total price per unit; minus

9 (ii) (2) the state gross retail, Indiana gasoline or special fuel, and
10 federal gasoline or special fuel taxes which are part of the total
11 price per unit.

12 (l) "Total price per unit" means the price per unit at which gasoline
13 or special fuel is actually sold, including the state gross retail, Indiana
14 gasoline or special fuel, and federal gasoline or special fuel taxes which
15 are part of the sales price.

16 (m) "Distributor" means a person who is the first purchaser of
17 gasoline from a refiner, a terminal operator, or supplier, regardless of
18 the location of the purchase.

19 (n) "Prepayment rate" means a rate per gallon of gasoline ~~rounded~~
20 ~~to the nearest one-tenth of one cent (\$0.001)~~; determined by the
21 department ~~by determining the product of:~~

22 (1) ~~the statewide average retail price per gallon of gasoline~~
23 ~~excluding the Indiana and federal gasoline taxes and the Indiana~~
24 ~~gross retail tax; multiplied by~~

25 (2) ~~the state gross retail tax rate; multiplied by~~

26 (3) ~~ninety percent (90%)~~.

27 **under section 14 of this chapter for use in calculating prepayment**
28 **amounts of gross retail tax under section 9 of this chapter.**

29 (o) "Purchase or shipment" means a sale or delivery of gasoline, but
30 does not include:

31 (1) an exchange transaction between refiners, terminal operators,
32 or a refiner and terminal operator; or

33 (2) a delivery by pipeline, ship, or barge to a refiner or terminal
34 operator.

35 (p) "Qualified distributor" means a distributor who:

36 (1) is a licensed distributor under IC 6-6-1.1; and

37 (2) holds an unrevoked permit issued under section 7 of this
38 chapter.

39 (q) "Refiner" means a person who manufactures or produces
40 gasoline by any process involving substantially more than the blending
41 of gasoline.

42 (r) "Terminal operator" means a person that:

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(1) stores gasoline in tanks and equipment used in receiving and storing gasoline from interstate or intrastate pipelines pending wholesale bulk reshipment; or

(2) stores gasoline at a boat terminal transfer that is a dock or tank, or equipment contiguous to a dock or tank, including equipment used in the unloading of gasoline from a ship or barge and used in transferring the gasoline to a tank pending wholesale bulk reshipment.

SECTION 2. IC 6-2.5-7-14 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006]: Sec. 14. (a) Before June 10 and December 10 of each year, the department shall determine and provide to:

(1) each refiner and terminal operator and each qualified distributor known to the department to be required to collect prepayments of the state gross retail tax under this chapter; and

(2) any other person that makes a request; a notice of the prepayment rate to be used during the following six (6) month period. The department shall also have the prepayment rate published in the June and December issues of the Indiana Register.

(b) In determining the prepayment rate under this section, the department shall use the most recent retail price of gasoline available to the department.

(c) The prepayment rate per gallon of gasoline determined by the department under this section is the amount per gallon of gasoline determined under STEP FOUR of the following formula:

STEP ONE: Determine the statewide average retail price per gallon of gasoline, excluding the Indiana and federal gasoline taxes and the Indiana gross retail tax.

STEP TWO: Determine the product of the following:

(A) The STEP ONE amount.

(B) The Indiana gross retail tax rate.

(C) Ninety percent (90%).

STEP THREE: Determine the lesser of:

(A) the STEP TWO result; or

(B) the product of:

(i) the prepayment rate in effect on the day immediately preceding the day on which the prepayment rate is redetermined under this section; multiplied by

(ii) one hundred twenty-five percent (125%).

STEP FOUR: Round the STEP THREE result to the nearest one-tenth of one cent (\$0.001).

SECTION 3. IC 6-6-1.1-515 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE

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1 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
2 1, 2006]: **Sec. 515. The administrator may require that all reports
3 required to be filed under section 209, 501, 502, 504, or 606 of this
4 chapter must be filed in an electronic format prescribed by the
5 administrator.**

6 SECTION 4. IC 6-6-2.5-72 IS ADDED TO THE CODE AS A NEW
7 SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006]:
8 **Sec. 72. The administrator may require that all reports required to
9 be filed under section 56.5, 57, or 60 of this chapter must be filed
10 in an electronic format prescribed by the administrator.**

11 SECTION 5. IC 6-6-4.1-4.8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
12 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006]: Sec. 4.8. (a) This section
13 applies only to a claim for a proportional use credit under section 4(d)
14 or 4.5(d) of this chapter for taxes first due and payable after July 31,
15 1999.

16 (b) In order to obtain a proportional use credit against taxes imposed
17 under section 4 or 4.5 of this chapter, a carrier must file a claim with
18 the department. The claim must be submitted on a form prescribed by
19 the department and must be filed with the quarterly return for the
20 taxable period for which the proportional use credit is claimed. A
21 carrier is not entitled to a proportional use credit under section 4(d) or
22 4.5(d) of this chapter unless the carrier:

- 23 (1) has paid in full the taxes to which the credit applies; and
24 (2) has filed a claim for the credit on or before the due date of
25 the corresponding quarterly return for the taxable period for
26 which the proportional use credit is claimed.

27 A credit approved under this section shall, subject to this section, be
28 refunded to the carrier without interest.

29 (c) The department shall determine the aggregate amount of
30 proportional use credits claimed under section 4(d) or 4.5(d) of this
31 chapter for each quarter. The department may approve the full amount
32 of a proportional use credit claimed by a carrier if the aggregate
33 amount of proportional use credits claimed for the quarter and for the
34 fiscal year do not exceed the limits set forth in subsection (d). If the
35 aggregate amount of proportional use credits claimed in a quarter
36 exceeds the limits set forth in subsection (d), the department shall pay
37 the claims for that quarter on a pro rata basis.

38 (d) The department may not approve more than three million five
39 hundred thousand dollars (\$3,500,000) of proportional use credits
40 under this section in a state fiscal year. In addition, the amount of
41 proportional use credits the department may approve under this section
42 for a quarter may not exceed the following:

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(1) For the quarter ending September 30 of a year, an amount equal to one million three hundred seventy-five thousand dollars (\$1,375,000).

(2) For the quarter ending December 31 of a year, an amount equal to:

(A) six hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$625,000); plus

(B) the greater of zero (0) or the result of:

(i) the limit determined for the previous quarter under this subsection; minus

(ii) the aggregate amount of claims approved for the previous quarter.

(3) For the quarter ending March 31 of a year, an amount equal to:

(A) six hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$625,000); plus

(B) the greater of zero (0) or the result of:

(i) the limit determined for the previous quarter under this subsection; minus

(ii) the aggregate amount of claims approved for the previous quarter.

(4) For the quarter ending June 30 of a year, an amount equal to:

(A) eight hundred seventy-five thousand dollars (\$875,000); plus

(B) the greater of zero (0) or the result of:

(i) the limit determined for the previous quarter under this subsection; minus

(ii) the aggregate amount of claims approved for the previous quarter.

SECTION 6. IC 6-8.1-4-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006]: Sec. 4. (a) The department shall establish a registration center to service owners of commercial motor vehicles.

(b) The registration center is under the supervision of the department through the motor carrier services division.

(c) An owner or operator of a commercial motor vehicle may apply to the registration center for the following:

(1) Vehicle registration (IC 9-18).

(2) Motor carrier fuel tax annual permit.

(3) Proportional use credit certificate (IC 6-6-4.1-4.7).

(4) Certificate of operating authority.

(5) Oversize vehicle permit (IC 9-20-3).

(6) Overweight vehicle permit (IC 9-20-4).

(7) Payment of the commercial vehicle excise tax imposed under

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IC 6-6-5.5.

(d) The commissioner may deny an application described in subsection (c) if the applicant fails to do any of the following with respect to a listed tax:

(1) File all tax returns or information reports.

(2) Pay all taxes, penalties, and interest.

(e) The commissioner may suspend or revoke any registration, permit, certificate, or authority if the person to whom the registration, permit, certificate, or authority is issued fails to do any of the following with respect to a listed tax:

(1) File all tax returns or information reports.

(2) Pay all taxes, penalties, and interest.

~~(d)~~ (f) Funding for the development and operation of the registration center shall be taken from the motor carrier regulation fund (IC 8-2.1-23-1).

~~(e)~~ (g) The department shall recommend to the general assembly other functions that the registration center may perform.

SECTION 7. IC 6-8.1-10-13 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006]: Sec. 13. (a) A person that:

(1) obtains a permit, license plate, cab card, or any other credential issued by the registration center established under IC 6-8.1-4-4; and

(2) alters the permit, license plate, cab card, or other credential;

is subject to a civil penalty of five hundred dollars (\$500) for the first violation and one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for each subsequent violation.

(b) A person that:

(1) is required to obtain a permit, a license plate, a cab card, or other credential issued by the registration center established under IC 6-8.1-4-4; and

(2) operates without obtaining the required permit, license plate, cab card, or other credential;

is subject to a civil penalty of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for each violation.

(c) A civil penalty imposed under this section:

(1) shall be deposited in the motor carrier regulation fund established by IC 8-2.1-23-1; and

(2) is in addition to any fines levied by a court.

SECTION 8. IC 8-2.1-22-29 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006]: Sec. 29. (a) A person may

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not operate any motor vehicle over the public highways for hire, unless the operations are specifically exempt under this chapter, without first having obtained appropriate operating authority from the department to do so, and having otherwise complied with all other applicable provisions of this chapter.

(b) The department or the state police department may impound a motor vehicle that is offered by a motor carrier to the general public for the transportation of passengers for hire if:

(1) the motor carrier has not obtained the required authority from the department to operate the motor vehicle for hire; and

(2) the motor vehicle is being operated on an Indiana highway.

(c) A motor carrier that operated a motor vehicle impounded under this section may not obtain possession of the impounded motor vehicle unless the motor carrier obtains the required authority to operate the motor vehicle for hire.

SECTION 9. IC 8-2.1-22-40 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006]: Sec. 40. (a) All applications under this chapter for a common carrier certificate or a contract carrier permit to operate motor vehicles, intrastate or interstate, shall be made on forms prescribed by the department.

(b) All applications for a common carrier certificate of public convenience and necessity, or a contract carrier permit, to operate motor vehicles intrastate on the public highways, which applications require a public hearing thereon, shall be accompanied by a filing fee of **fifty one hundred** dollars ~~(\$50): (\$100)~~. Each petition for reinstatement of a common carrier certificate of public convenience and necessity, or a contract carrier permit, to operate motor vehicles intrastate, on the highways of this state, shall be accompanied by a filing fee of fifty dollars (\$50).

(c) All applications for a temporary certificate of public convenience and necessity, or for a contract carrier permit to operate motor vehicles on the highways of this state in intrastate commerce, shall be accompanied by a filing fee of **fifty one hundred** dollars ~~(\$50): (\$100)~~.

(d) All applications for a change in the name of the holder of a common carrier certificate of public convenience and necessity, of a common carrier certificate of authority or certificate of registration, or of a contract carrier permit, which change of name does not involve a change in the ownership of the operating rights of the certificate or permit holder, shall be made by verified petition to the department, and

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the applications shall be accompanied by a filing fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25).

(e) In addition to the filing fees prescribed in subsection (b), all applications for a common carrier certificate of public convenience and necessity, or for a contract carrier permit, to operate motor vehicles intrastate, on the public highways, which applications require a public hearing thereon, shall be accompanied by a publication fee of ~~twenty~~ **eighty** dollars ~~(\$20)~~ **(\$80)**. Whenever any republication is required through no fault of the department, the party responsible therefor shall be required to pay an additional publication fee of ~~twenty~~ **eighty** dollars ~~(\$20)~~ **(\$80)** for each republication.

(f) Each petition for rehearing of an application for a common carrier certificate of public convenience and necessity, or for a contract carrier permit, to operate motor vehicles intrastate, on the public highways, shall be accompanied by a filing fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25).

(g) Each application or petition for alteration or change of a common carrier certificate of public convenience and necessity, or a contract carrier permit, to operate motor vehicles intrastate, on the public highways, shall be accompanied by a filing fee of fifty dollars (\$50).

(h) Each application requesting permission to deviate from the department's tariff publishing regulations shall be accompanied by a filing fee of fifteen dollars (\$15).

SECTION 10. IC 8-2.1-24-20 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006]: Sec. 20. Before a motor carrier engaged in the transportation of property for compensation may operate a motor vehicle upon a public highway providing intrastate transportation, the motor carrier must be properly registered as required under the single state registration system in accordance with rules adopted by the department under IC 4-22-2. This section does not apply to a person exclusively engaged in the private transportation of **nonhazardous** property.

SECTION 11. IC 8-2.1-24-28 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006]: Sec. 28. **(a)** Pursuant to an operations out of service order issued by the United States Department of Transportation or the Federal Highway Administration affecting a motor carrier operating in Indiana, the department of state revenue or the state police department may revoke and confiscate any registrations, license plates, or cab cards issued under IC 9-18.

(b) The department of state revenue may not register or title a motor carrier:

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(1) if the motor carrier fails to comply with federal regulations under 49 CFR 386;

(2) under an operations out of service order issued by a federal agency; or

(3) if the motor carrier's ability to operate has been terminated or denied by a federal agency.

SECTION 12. IC 9-20-18-14.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006]: Sec. 14.5. (a) The civil penalties imposed under this section are in addition to the other civil penalties that may be imposed under IC 8 and IC 9. **Notwithstanding section 12 of this chapter, a civil penalty imposed under this section:**

(1) shall be deposited in the motor carrier regulation fund established by IC 8-2.1-23-1; and

(2) is in addition to any fines imposed by a court.

(b) A person who violates IC 9-20-5-7 is subject to a civil penalty of five hundred dollars (\$500) for each violation. ~~as determined by the court. Notwithstanding section 12 of this chapter, a civil penalty imposed under this section must be deposited in the motor carrier regulation fund established under IC 8-2.1-23.~~

(c) ~~A person who operates a vehicle subject to IC 9-20-5-7 on a route other than a route designated under IC 9-20-5-4 is subject to a civil penalty of five hundred dollars (\$500) for each violation as determined by the court. Notwithstanding section 12 of this chapter, a civil penalty imposed under this section must be deposited in the motor carrier regulation fund established under IC 8-2.1-23.~~

(c) A person who obtains a permit under IC 9-20 and violates IC 9-20 is subject to a civil penalty of five hundred dollars (\$500) for the first violation and one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for each subsequent violation.

(d) A person who transports heavy vehicles or loads subject to IC 9-20 and fails to obtain a permit required under IC 9-20 is subject to a civil penalty of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for each violation.

(e) A civil penalty imposed under this section may be assessed against a person only after an administrative hearing has been conducted at which the person has an opportunity to present information as to why the civil penalty should not be assessed.

SECTION 13. IC 9-28-4-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006]: Sec. 6. (a) The department of state revenue, on behalf of the state, may enter into reciprocal agreements providing for the registration of vehicles on an

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1 apportionment or allocation basis with the proper authority of any state,
 2 any commonwealth, the District of Columbia, a state or province of a
 3 foreign country, or a territory or possession of either the United States
 4 or of a foreign country.

5 (b) To implement this chapter, the state may enter into and become
 6 a member of the International Registration Plan or other designation
 7 that may be given to a reciprocity plan developed by the American
 8 Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators.

9 (c) The department of state revenue may adopt rules under
 10 IC 4-22-2 to carry out and enforce the provisions of the International
 11 Registration Plan or any other agreement entered into under this
 12 chapter.

13 (d) If the state enters into the International Registration Plan or into
 14 any other agreement under this chapter, and if the provisions set forth
 15 in the plan or other agreements are different from provisions prescribed
 16 by law, then the agreement provisions prevail.

17 **(e) Payment for the renewal of the registration of a fleet of**
 18 **vehicles previously registered under the International Registration**
 19 **Plan is due on or before the fifteenth day of the last month of the**
 20 **registration period preceding the period for which the registration**
 21 **is being renewed.**

22 **(f) Payment for a billing issued under the International**
 23 **Registration Plan, other than for renewals described in subsection**
 24 **(e), is due not later than fifteen (15) days after the mailing date on**
 25 **the billing.**

26 ~~(e)~~ (g) This chapter constitutes complete authority for the
 27 registration of vehicles, including the registration of fleet vehicles,
 28 upon an apportionment or allocation basis without reference to or
 29 application of any other Indiana law.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Tax and Fiscal Policy, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 251, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 1, between the enacting clause and line 1, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 1. IC 6-2.5-7-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006]: Sec. 1. **For purposes of (a) The definitions in this section apply throughout** this chapter.

(b) "Kerosene" has the same meaning as the definition contained in IC 16-44-2-2.

(c) "Gasoline" has the same meaning as the definition contained in IC 6-6-1.1-103.

(d) "Special fuel" has the same meaning as the definition contained in IC 6-6-2.5-22.

(e) "Unit" means the unit of measure, such as a gallon or a liter, by which gasoline or special fuel is sold.

(f) "Metered pump" means a stationary pump which is capable of metering the amount of gasoline or special fuel dispensed from it and which is capable of simultaneously calculating and displaying the price of the gasoline or special fuel dispensed.

(g) "Indiana gasoline tax" means the tax imposed under IC 6-6-1.1.

(h) "Indiana special fuel tax" means the tax imposed under IC 6-6-2.5.

(i) "Federal gasoline tax" means the excise tax imposed under Section 4081 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(j) "Federal special fuel tax" means the excise tax imposed under Section 4041 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(k) "Price per unit before the addition of state and federal taxes" means an amount which equals the remainder of:

(i) the total price per unit; minus

(ii) the state gross retail, Indiana gasoline or special fuel, and federal gasoline or special fuel taxes which are part of the total price per unit.

(l) "Total price per unit" means the price per unit at which gasoline or special fuel is actually sold, including the state gross retail, Indiana gasoline or special fuel, and federal gasoline or special fuel taxes which are part of the sales price.

(m) "Distributor" means a person who is the first purchaser of gasoline from a refiner, a terminal operator, or supplier, regardless of

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the location of the purchase.

(n) "Prepayment rate" means a rate per gallon of gasoline ~~rounded to the nearest one-tenth of one cent (\$0.001)~~; determined by the department ~~by determining the product of:~~

- (1) ~~the statewide average retail price per gallon of gasoline excluding the Indiana and federal gasoline taxes and the Indiana gross retail tax; multiplied by~~
- (2) ~~the state gross retail tax rate; multiplied by~~
- (3) ~~ninety percent (90%).~~

under section 14 of this chapter for use in calculating prepayment amounts of gross retail tax under section 9 of this chapter.

(o) "Purchase or shipment" means a sale or delivery of gasoline, but does not include:

- (1) an exchange transaction between refiners, terminal operators, or a refiner and terminal operator; or
- (2) a delivery by pipeline, ship, or barge to a refiner or terminal operator.

(p) "Qualified distributor" means a distributor who:

- (1) is a licensed distributor under IC 6-6-1.1; and
- (2) holds an unrevoked permit issued under section 7 of this chapter.

(q) "Refiner" means a person who manufactures or produces gasoline by any process involving substantially more than the blending of gasoline.

(r) "Terminal operator" means a person that:

- (1) stores gasoline in tanks and equipment used in receiving and storing gasoline from interstate or intrastate pipelines pending wholesale bulk reshipment; or
- (2) stores gasoline at a boat terminal transfer that is a dock or tank, or equipment contiguous to a dock or tank, including equipment used in the unloading of gasoline from a ship or barge and used in transferring the gasoline to a tank pending wholesale bulk reshipment.

SECTION 2. IC 6-2.5-7-14 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006]: Sec. 14. (a) Before June 10 and December 10 of each year, the department shall determine and provide to:

- (1) each refiner and terminal operator and each qualified distributor known to the department to be required to collect prepayments of the state gross retail tax under this chapter; and
- (2) any other person that makes a request;

a notice of the prepayment rate to be used during the following six (6)

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month period. The department shall also have the prepayment rate published in the June and December issues of the Indiana Register.

(b) In determining the prepayment rate under this section, the department shall use the most recent retail price of gasoline available to the department.

(c) **The prepayment rate per gallon of gasoline determined by the department under this section is the amount per gallon of gasoline determined under STEP FOUR of the following formula:**

STEP ONE: Determine the statewide average retail price per gallon of gasoline, excluding the Indiana and federal gasoline taxes and the Indiana gross retail tax.

STEP TWO: Determine the product of the following:

(A) The STEP ONE amount.

(B) The Indiana gross retail tax rate.

(C) Ninety percent (90%).

STEP THREE: Determine the lesser of:

(A) the STEP TWO result; or

(B) the product of:

(i) the prepayment rate in effect on the day immediately preceding the day on which the prepayment rate is redetermined under this section; multiplied by

(ii) one hundred twenty-five percent (125%).

STEP FOUR: Round the STEP THREE result to the nearest one-tenth of one cent (\$0.001)."

Page 1, line 4, after "section" insert "209,".

Page 1, line 4, delete "or".

Page 1, line 4, after "504" insert ", or 606".

Page 1, between lines 6 and 7, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 3. IC 6-6-2.5-72 IS ADDED TO THE CODE AS A **NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006]: Sec. 72. The administrator may require that all reports required to be filed under section 56.5, 57, or 60 of this chapter must be filed in an electronic format prescribed by the administrator.**".

Page 6, delete lines 28 through 42.

Delete page 7.

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Page 8, delete lines 1 through 5.
Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.
and when so amended that said bill do pass.
(Reference is to SB 251 as introduced.)

KENLEY, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 10, Nays 0.

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